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One week ago today The Star said: "It is quite a while since Honolulu had a really good local rumpus. But there are signs of one coming."

Governor Frear ought not to have been much surprised. Frank Thompson and Kuhio are on the spot in Washington—and could he really expect Judge Taft to ignore the Bar Association? It will be remembered that Roosevelt wouldn't do it for Carter, even though Roosevelt had let it be understood, as Taft never has, that he proposed to act on the governor's recommendations in the matter of Hawaiian appointments. And when Carter got huffy and "sore," and went and saw Roosevelt, Teddy called him his "Hawaiian sensitive plant" and fixed him up so that he came back, as he declared himself, "a changed man."

There seems to be a tolerably strong prospect of dissenting opinions in the Supreme court.

The Star has published Judge Hart's own complete and detailed statement of an incident of twelve years ago, which is a source of much concern to the Advertiser. The Star has full confidence in the judge and has nothing to add to what he says. We are deeply pained to note that, though informed by the judge that it misstated its reasons for not publishing his communication, the Advertiser still fails to publish a retraction.

One of the difficulties in the way of the Advertiser's excellent suggestion that the community try to agree upon a successor to Frear if the latter decides to resign is that of knowing the decision. Doubtless the secret would be kept from Taft himself were it possible to keep it.

It may be that Frear is waiting to see if the news is true.

A GOOD DETECTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Chief of Detectives McDuffie is showing efficiency which is getting him the strongest confidence and support of the public. His work in the case of the Smith automobile accident deserves more than passing notice. The discovery of the guilty chauffeur sets a new mark in two respects. In the first place it is a bit of real detective work, and in the second place it does more than a dozen new laws to enforce respect for law among those drivers of autos who need the lesson. By this bit of work it is shown that there is no safety for an auto lawbreaker in flight. Starting without a single clue to the identity of the driver of the machine which struck Mr. Smith, Detective McDuffie began his work at the other end of the problem. He traced all the autos and gradually eliminated one after the other from the possibility of having been in the accident, until he got his man. Perhaps the most important feature of this achievement is that it is a notice to all drivers of machines that they cannot escape by running away. There is a way to run them down.

The responsibility for Governor Kalaniana'ole will rest upon Governor Frear.

Col. Sam Parker would make a popular appointee as governor.

A LARGE MATTER AND A SMALL ONE.

Governor Frear has devoted about three years as executive to a very exhaustive study of the land problem in Hawaii. He has visited all parts of the islands, inspected lands, studied homestead problems and planned laws to aid in the settlement of lands by citizens—the one great problem of government here. The result is a policy in which he has confidence, and to which he actually was able to bring the unanimous support of both his own and the Democratic party in the legislature, as well as the support of the delegate to Congress, notwithstanding the latter's recent outbreaks. Abandonment of a great work of this sort should not be considered except for pretty big reasons—and they don't seem to exist. A judiciary appointment is a comparatively small matter.

THE TIME FOR POLITICS.

It is good news that the local Republican party is beginning thus early to consider the problems to be met at the polls next November. The Star thinks that the citizens of Honolulu are in mood to demand the nomination by the dominant party—the Republican—of a good, clean and competent ticket, all down the line. We think such a ticket can win at the polls, and think also that if it doesn't it will be better to go down to defeat with such a ticket than to win with a poor ticket. There is no need for constantly recurring Republican splits. Some weeks before the last primaries this paper stated that it ought to be easily possible for the local Republican party to put up a ticket that would command the support of the Civic Federation as well as all other elements of the party. The remark applies again now. With such a ticket in the field, normal Republican majorities will reassert themselves, and a competent local administration may be looked for. But if the citizens who take upon themselves specially the duty of working for good government and moral purity choose once again to wait till after nominations are made and then try to rule or ruin the party organization, they will perhaps do worse than they did last time, when they failed to beat the men they were after, but made a success of Mayor Fern's campaign and turned the Senate over to the Democrats and those who wanted to knock out the liquor law.

The Advertiser recently palmed off, as a recent event so far as its readers could judge, an event in local newspaper history which happened twelve years ago. If this sort of thing passed, what a lot of brickbats from the scrap heap of local journalism might be shied at the Advertiser! Not a few such could be found whose maker was the present owner of that paper.

If Governor Frear resigns now he will be regarded as a man turned aside from a large purpose by a small incident.

Some months ago—shortly after President Taft took office—The Star expressed the opinion that he was likely to make a Hawaiian governor of this Territory, and hinted that Delegate Kuhio would probably be the man. The probability looms large in local calculations just now. Taft's whole known views all incline to the naming of a Hawaiian for governor of Hawaii if he finds one whom he regards as suitable.

The committee in charge of the astronomical observatory wants a name for it. Leahi observatory has been suggested and sounds all right.

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Commercial News

BY L. D. TIMMONS.

The stock market was very active today, there being a ready demand for stocks even at the seemingly stiff prices. Considerable stock has been coaxed into the market by attractive demands, so that transactions have been numerous and unusually large. Olan has been watched with considerable interest, the decision of Bishop & Company in the bond matter being expected at any time after tomorrow morning. If the deal goes through in good shape, considerable dealing in Olan may be looked for. Between boards 210 shares sold at \$7, followed by 100 shares at \$6.875. Still later, 100, 100, 50 and 60 shares changed hands at \$7. At the close, however only \$6.875 was bid, while \$7 was asked—all indicating the nervous uncertainty in regard to the stock which prevails.

Two sales of McBryde were reported, both slightly off. One of 40 shares was at \$7.75 and one of 25 shares at \$7.875. At the close of today's session only \$7.50 was bid, while \$7.625 was asked.

Pauahau was again in great demand, 40 shares selling between boards at \$29.50, followed by 50 shares at \$29.75. Later, however, the spurt came and 50, 20, 20 and 10 found purchasers at \$30. At the close of today's session \$29.75 was bid and \$30 asked.

Honokaa was still on the San Francisco basis, 100 and 50 shares selling between boards at \$22.50, followed by 10 shares on the boards at the same. At the close \$22.25 was bid, with \$22.75 asked.

Onomea was in demand, 20 shares selling at \$54. The same was bid for more, but none was to be had for less than \$55.

Waialua was also strong, although

trading was not heavy. Beta on boards 35 shares sold at \$126.50, followed by 10 shares on the boards at the same. At the close the same figure was bid, but holders demanded \$127.50.

Hutchinson appeared to be in demand, 125 and 45 shares selling at \$18.50. The same was offered for more but \$19 was being asked.

Pioneer was exceedingly strong and in ready demand, sales being reported of 50, 200 and 10 shares at \$210. The same is still offered for more, while holders are demanding \$215.

Ewa was also very strong, 20 shares selling at \$34.50. The same was being offered for more, but holders were asking \$34.875.

Hawaiian Commercial sold at \$38.50, 55 and 20 shares changing hands. At the close of the session \$38.50 was bid and \$39 asked.

Oahu was even stronger than yesterday.

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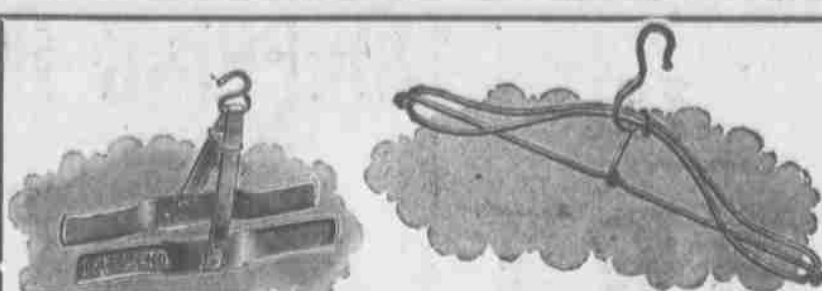
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